AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1-9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) A method of capturing time and expense data into an accounting database via forms, the method comprising:

hosting a plurality of forms on a server, each form being accessible to a user over a network via a browser and each form comprising:

data fields for user data entry;

an object for submitting the form when completed by the user, wherein the object comprises a button for electronic submission of the form; and

embedded server controls for invoking a plurality of business rules upon submission by the user, the business rules being written in managed code, wherein the embedded server controls comprises calls to a services application program interface (API) that are invoked by the form to define transactions with the accounting database using the business rules; ~~and~~

providing a requested form of the plurality of forms to the user over the network for display within a window of the browser;

receiving user data in the data fields of the requested form, and invoking the object associated with the requested form to submit the requested form upon completion of the requested form using a processor of a computer, ~~and, wherein~~ the form automatically invokes the business rules, using ~~in response, utilizing~~ the server controls embedded in the submitted form, to process the user data in the project accounting system using the services API when the object is invoked~~to invoke the business rules; and~~, wherein processing the user data ~~contained in the submitted form with a services application program interface (API) according to the invoked business rules, wherein processing~~ comprises:

interacting with the accounting database according to the user data contained in the submitted form and the invoked business rules, wherein the services API associates the user data contained in the submitted form to entities in the accounting database based on the embedded server controls embedded in the form; and

querying the accounting database according to the user data based on the invoked business rules to return a value for display in a form within a window of the browser, wherein the value is displayed in the form based on the embedded server controls embedded in the form.

11. (Original) The method of claim 10 wherein the managed code is written to a common language runtime environment.

12. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 10 wherein the step of hosting comprises:

storing a plurality of web forms on a web server wherein at least one of the plurality of web forms is a timesheet form .

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 10 wherein the step of interacting comprises:

storing data in the accounting database.

15-16. (Cancelled)

17. (Currently Amended) A system for capturing time and expense information over a network and for processing the information into an accounting system, the system comprising:

an accounting system ~~adapted to store~~ that stores time and expense information;

a plurality of web part forms ~~adapted~~ having data fields for user data input over a network via a browser;

a services application program interface (API) for implementing and sequencing business rules written in managed code to process the user input into the accounting system, wherein each of the web part forms contain embedded calls to the services API that are automatically invoked by the web part form upon submission of the web part form to invoke transactions with the accounting system to process the user input into the accounting system, and wherein the transactions with the accounting system invoked by the embedded calls contained in the web part forms comprise initiating an approval process for the submitted web part form and associating the user data contained in the submitted form with entities in the accounting system, wherein the approval process is automatically initiated by the web part form using the embedded calls to the services API such that the services API processes the user data contained in the submitted form, based on the embedded calls, using the business rules ; and

a server ~~adapted to host~~ that hosts the plurality of web part forms containing embedded calls to the services API and ~~to serve~~ serves the web part forms containing embedded calls to the services API to users on request.

18-22. (Cancelled)

23. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 17, wherein the web part forms contain embedded server controls for calling the services API.

24. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 17, wherein the calls contained in the web part forms comprise embedded calls to the services API using remoting.

25. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 17, wherein the calls contained in the web part forms comprise embedded calls to the services API using Web services.

26. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 17, wherein at least one of the plurality of web part forms represents a timesheet form, and wherein the embedded calls contained in the timesheet form are invoked by the timesheet form upon submission of the timesheet form by the user to provide the timesheet form to the approval process.

27. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 17, wherein the transactions invoked by the embedded calls contained in the timesheet form implement the business rules to provide the timesheet form to an administrator for authorization of the user data contained in the timesheet form and at least one of deletion of the timesheet form, modification of the timesheet form, and return of the timesheet form to the user.

28. (Cancelled)